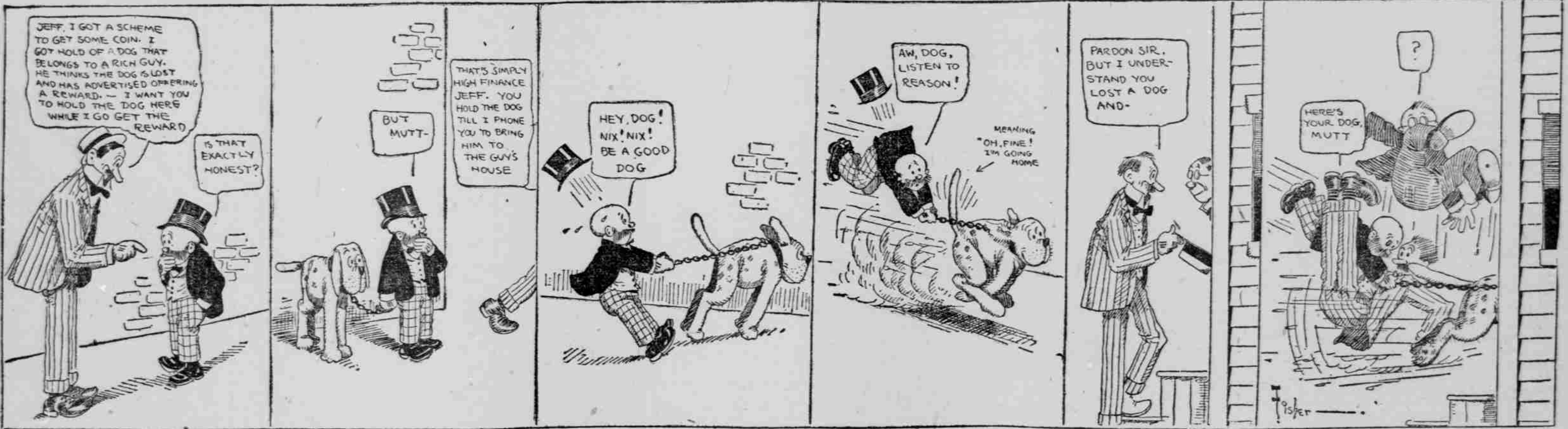


The Only Trouble Is That Jeff Delivers the Dog Too Soon

By "Bud" Fisher



CACTUS LEAGUE DOPE

By N. M. Walker

NOW that the schedule storm has blown over and everything is serene after the little squall, it is up to the managers of the different Cactus clubs to cut the thick talk and play ball. Managerial wrangling has killed many a good league and come dangerously near disrupting the two major organizations no later than last year. Baseball folk who pay their four bits to see is men cut capers on the scalded field do not give a rap about the managers' troubles. What they want is baseball, and they do not care to see the game marred by a lot of jockeying by the men at the head of the game. Cut the peanut politics, managers all, and give your club the high sign to open up the pepper pot and play league ball. The finances, attendance and all the rest of the ills which the baseball body is heir to, will then disappear.

Some of the clubs in the league are kicking for Mackey and DeWiggins as the tournament umpires for the fair contest. Old "Pop" DeWiggins is the goods for this position and there will be no need of paying another man for the work the old man can do better by his lonesome. Mackey is not popular in El Paso. It was his attitude toward the grand stand, the crowd that digs for the money that makes the mare go, that everyone objected to here. His remarks to the players and to the grand stand were out of place from anyone much less the supposed arbiter of all things and the keeper of the peace on the diamond. DeWiggins is a good, hard working, chap and with any other umpire to work with he would be entirely satisfactory for the fair tournament. But he is hardly heavy enough to hold down the position which was filled so well last season.

Big Burt Graham, the six foot sun flapper of the last year's El Paso club, has been signed by the St. Louis Browns. Burt has been playing with Jackson of the Cotton States league, and has been carving himself a reputation that attracted the attention of scout Howell, of the St. Louis Americans, who bought the big boy for his club, paying \$1200 for the release. Graham is a great player, the making end, with the right sort of training, he will be one of the big men of the national game. He hits like a vicious mule's kick, and his left and speed make him a valuable man either in the

out or infield. He plays first as good as he does the pasture, and he will be given a workout in both the infield and outfield with the Browns. A number of major league scouts were after the big Tucumcari giant, but Howell got his hands on him first and he is now sewed up with St. Louis.

Douglas will be over Friday morning for a friendly little fight with the Mavericks at the sand lot Friday afternoon. Since the recent squabble over the schedule, Douglas has taken a place as the long lost brother of El Paso and the Douglas players will receive a glad hand when they trot out to the bench at the opening of the series. Douglas is now at the top of the list and it looks from this end of the Cactus belt as if the Dons would be the ones the local four horns will have to whip to get the pennant.

Here's a new version of the old, old story of the fan, the girl and the ball game with the "leading lady" as important as a seven rail fence on the subject of baseball. Credit the Philadelphia Ledger:

She—What did the man with the wire over his face say?
He—One ball.
She—I don't understand why he said it.

He—The pitcher threw a ball. That's different from a strike, you know.
She—Of course. Anybody could see he threw a ball. He had it in plain sight in his hand. What else would he be expected to throw?
He—A strike.

She—But the man with the stick does the striking, doesn't he?
He—He strikes, but it's a strike if he misses.
She—There! The man who talks said "strike" and the one with the stick hasn't stirred.

He—It was a good ball, and he ought to have struck.
She—Well, he didn't and it isn't fair to treat him that way. Why, now he's dropped his stick and is going away.
He—Yes. He gets his base on four balls.

She—Why, you story teller; there's only one ball there. Say, Harry, do the players wear horrid spikes in their gloves?
He—No; the spikes are in their shoes.

She—Dear me, but I should think that would hurt. Why, I had a little nail in my shoe one day, and it made me just as lame. What that man way out there running for?

He—Trying to catch a fly.
She—Now, Harry, you're fooling me. The idea of making all that fuss over a fly!

He—Hello! A squeeze play! Bally?
She—What kind of a play is that?
Me—My dear girl, you have caught the general plan of the game beautifully, but the squeeze play is too technical. I'll explain that the next time we come.

She—Oh, will you bring me again? When shall we come?
He—The boss says I may have another afternoon off in 1915.

Wingo Anderson is unable to be out of his room and he will not appear in the Douglas series. This will leave all of the pitching for Booles and Runney in the three games. Both boys say they are feeling as fit as a Stratfield, and either is willing to go the 15 in ring distance in the series. Booles is expected to show up particularly strong as he has never yet admitted that he was in good condition until the present and he says he is as strong as a chile stew and good for a no hit game.

Interest in the "made in El Paso" ball players in the big league, which has been on the wane lately, will spruce up a bit now that big Burt Graham is riding in the St. Louis Browns' carry-all. Burt is expected to use his big stick to advantage against the American league flingers and go up to the head of the batting class before the season closes.

Wont somebody please come forward and explain what makes the White Sox Jose. Charts and diagrams are also requested with the explanations. To the best answer a life size picture of Sox's long lost goat will be mailed upon receipt of postage.

Cincinnati defeated the Giants Wednesday in a give and take game six to five. With the right kind of a start those redlegged boys from the Ohio town could have finished around the first station in the National league standing.

Morenci of the hill tops will swoop down on El Paso next week for a pair of games. This will be the copper mountain club's first appearance here this season, thanks to a bungling schedule and they will be received with the usual fatted calf slaughter.

Base ball, Douglas vs. El Paso, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 3:30 p. m.

WANTED—Ladies to know that the bill this week is one of unusual spruce at the Happy Hour, five acts, three big features, for 10c and 20c.

"CY" MORGAN IN FAMILIAR POSE

"Cy" Morgan, of the Philadelphia Athletics. Morgan recently won a 14 inning pitcher's battle when the Athletics met the St. Louis American team in Philadelphia. It was Morgan's eighth



game, resulting in a victory for his club this season. Cy has lost but six out of 14 games pitched, and is down in the pitchers' records with an average of .538.

STATISTICAL BALL DOPE

By Art Woods.

WHERE THEY PLAY FRIDAY.

National League.
Philadelphia at Cincinnati.
Boston at Chicago.
New York at St. Louis.
Brooklyn at Pittsburgh.

American League.
St. Louis at Boston.
Detroit at New York.
Cleveland at Philadelphia.
Chicago at Washington.

Texas League.
Oklahoma City at Waco.
Fort Worth at San Antonio.
Dallas at Houston.
Shreveport at Galveston.

Cactus League.
Douglas at El Paso.

HOW THEY STAND.

National League.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	
Chicago	79	50	29	.533
New York	75	45	30	.573
Pittsburgh	75	41	34	.547
Cincinnati	81	42	39	.519
Philadelphia	77	37	40	.481
St. Louis	80	35	45	.438
Brooklyn	79	34	45	.432
Boston	82	32	50	.390

American League.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	
Philadelphia	79	55	24	.598
New York	80	48	32	.550
Boston	82	49	33	.598
Detroit	84	45	39	.536
Cleveland	75	34	41	.453
Washington	79	32	47	.405
St. Louis	79	31	48	.392
St. Louis	77	24	53	.312

Texas League.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	
Dallas	90	52	38	.578
Houston	89	51	38	.573
Fort Worth	89	51	38	.573
San Antonio	91	51	40	.560
Galveston	91	45	46	.495
Oklahoma City	88	42	46	.478
Shreveport	82	42	40	.512
Waco	87	35	52	.401

Cactus League.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	
Douglas	28	16	12	.671
Risbee	25	14	11	.560
Morenci	21	11	10	.524
El Paso	24	12	12	.500
Cananea	26	13	13	.500
Clifton	21	7	14	.333

BOWLING.

The three men single play tournament, opened Wednesday night on Washington park alleys. Sukerman cut out after the first game. But Critchett and Herfourth finished their play on account of intended departure from the city. Scores were:

	1st.	2nd.	Tls.
Sukerman	752	752	
Critchett	722	774	1508
Herfourth	688	784	1472

Big League Baseball Wednesday's Results

NATIONAL LEAGUE. R.H.E.
At Pittsburgh—
Boston 000000000—3 8 0
Pittsburgh 010001000—2 7 0
Batteries: Boston—Ferguson and Granger; Pittsburgh—Maddox and Gibson; umpires—Klem and Kane.

At Cincinnati—
New York 000202001—5 13 2
Cincinnati 100022000—6 13 2
Batteries: New York—Ames and Schiel; Cincinnati—Louis and McLean; umpires—Egler and Emslie.

At Chicago—
Brooklyn 00000000000—0 7 2
Chicago 00000000000—1 6 2
Twelve innings.
Batteries: Brooklyn—Bell and Erwin; Chicago—Pfeater and Archer; umpires—Johnstone and Eason.

At St. Louis—
Philadelphia 020403110—11 11 3
St. Louis 000000110—2 7 4
Batteries: Philadelphia—Foxen, Rieser and Spolton; St. Louis—Harnan, Backman and Brennan; umpires—O'Day and Brennan.

At Boston—
Detroit 10000001001—3 14 1
Boston 00020000000—2 9 3
Batteries: Detroit—Willett and Stanage; Boston—Collins and Carrigan; umpires—Conroy and Kerin.
Eleven innings.

At Washington—
Cleveland 010021000—4 9 2
Washington 010100000—3 11 1
Batteries: Cleveland—Mitchell, Koestner and Bemis; Washington—Groome and Beckendorf; umpire—Perrine.

At New York—
St. Louis 00001000000—1 11 1
New York 00010000001—2 8 1
Ten innings.
Batteries: St. Louis—Peltz and Stepien; New York—Quinn and Mitchell; umpires—Dineen and Evans.

At Philadelphia—
Philadelphia 000000000—0 6 0
Philadelphia 010100000—2 7 0
Batteries: Philadelphia—Scott and Sullivan; Philadelphia—Coombs and Lapp; umpires—O'Loughlin and Egan.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

At Montgomery—
Montgomery 3
Memphis 5
Second game—Montgomery 3; Memphis 1.

At New Orleans—
New Orleans 1
Atlanta 2
At Birmingham—
Birmingham 3; Nashville 1.

TEXAS LEAGUE.

At Ft. Worth—
First game—Called at end of the seventh by agreement.
R.H.E.
Ft. Worth 2 6 2
Waco 1 6 5
Batteries—Waco, Louie and Garvin; Ft. Worth, Latimore and Green; umpires—Bailey and Jeffries.

Second game—
R.H.E.
Waco 0 12 0
Ft. Worth 2 8 1
Batteries—Waco, McAdams and Thackara; Ft. Worth, Weatherford and Gribbens; umpires—Bailey and Jeffries.

At Houston—
R.H.E.
Shreveport 3 12 0
Houston 4 7 2
Batteries—Shreveport, Ashton and Garvin; Houston, Hornsby and Burch; umpire—Lubbock.

At Galveston—
Called at end of tenth on account of darkness.
R.H.E.
Dallas 2 7 0
Galveston 2 9 0
Batteries—Dallas, Dale and Onslow; Galveston, Hendricksen and Braun; umpire—Matthews.

At San Antonio—
R.H.E.
Oklahoma City 3 10 1
San Antonio 4 8 2
Batteries—Oklahoma City, Young and Noyes; San Antonio, Blanding and Schan; umpire—Hurlbert.

At Portland—
R.H.E.
San Francisco 4 8 1
Portland 5 10 2
Batteries—San Francisco, Sutor and Williams; Portland, Gregg and Murray.

At Los Angeles—
R.H.E.
Sacramento 7 16 4
Vernon 6 14 2
Batteries—Sacramento, Nourse, Baum and Spelman; Los Angeles, Vernon, Hitt, Sarson, Hogan, Brown and Hasty.

Hard Hitting Bostonian

By Tim

It will be no small affair if Stanley Ketchel accepts Billy Papke's challenge. Why not have Roosevelt as third man? Or would it be dangerous to the fighters?

How about that flash ring? A Chicago court Wednesday ruled that George Little must be more specific as to his claim of the diamond held by Jack Johnson. The stone is worth \$1200, they say.

Chicago national management has purchased outfielder Keener from Spokane Northwestern league; pitcher Weaver from the Louisville Americans; and pitcher Geist from the Lincoln Western league. They will not join the Chicago club until the end of the season.

Washington with three pitchers made eight runs at home Wednesday, defeating by four runs Cleveland which employed two pitchers. It was nine hits each.

Boston's winning streak was broken at home Wednesday, with Detroit winning 3 and 2 after an 11 inning battle. By breaking 37 out of 100 targets at 16 yards, George E. Dimmock, Jr., of Elizabeth, N. J., a member of the Yale Gun club Wednesday won the preliminary handicap in the eastern target tournament at Edgemoor, near Philadelphia.

Chicago was shut out at Philadelphia Wednesday for the home team. Bases on balls scored the only runs of the game. Although shut out until the ninth inning, Boston took the taffy at Pittsburgh Wednesday by a 2-2 score. Maddox gave one base on balls.

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At San Antonio—
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Batteries—Oklahoma City, Young and Noyes; San Antonio, Blanding and Schan; umpire—Hurlbert.

At Portland—
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San Francisco 4 8 1
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Batteries—San Francisco, Sutor and Williams; Portland, Gregg and Murray.

At Los Angeles—
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TEXAS LEAGUE NOTES

By Horace H. Shelton.

It is generally conceded that Wilbur P. Allen will not be elected president of the Texas baseball league next year. The arguments are already swirling around over the circuit to find a successor. Should the Texas league be advanced into a higher class it is probable that the president's salary will be advanced from \$1800 to \$2500 and that an effort will be made to get a man who will give close attention to the affairs of the league.

Onslow, catcher for Dallas